## About Plays and Players By BIDE DUDLEY

MFRICA'S Over There Thea're A League has decided to raise \$150,000 to be expended in furnishing theatrical entertainment for the men in service in France. It was agreed at a dinner held yesterday at the Knickerbocker Hetel that this sum was needed, and Lee Shubert was made Chairman of a committee to raise the money. He is perfecting a plan whereby big benefit entertainments will be given in theatres all over the United States. Nearly all the influential managers in town attended the dinner and all promised to to-operace with Mr. Shubert in raising the funds and with the league in rending entertainers abroad. Winterop Ames stated that it was necessary to send fifty entertainers to F. Ance each month. E. F. Albee offered to organize a "Paisce Theatre Unit." Lee Shubert will furnish a "Shubert Theatre Unit." Richard Walton Tully will form a "Hawalian Unit." and Alf Hayman will furnish a "Charles Frohman Unit." An effort will be made to induce ecognized stars of both the theatrical and nim world to go over. Al Joison, Eugene and Willie Howard and Moille King have signified a willingness to visit France, and Adolph Zukor thinks he can persuade Dougias Fairbanks and Mary Pickford to go. Arthur Hammerstein volunteered to go to Prance and remain there in direct charge of the managerial end. over the United States. Nearly all

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A. H. Woods has a now drama based on the war which will be produced in New Haven either Friday or Saturday. It is "The Hig Chance," by Grant Morris. In the cast are Clara Joel, Cyril Keightley, Ramsey Wallace, Katherine Barrymore, Alma Mack Berlein, William Meehan and Harry Roberta, the last named being none other than Hans Robert. Mr. Robert has changed his name to get rid of the Teutonic "Hans." His name was originally Hanley, but his boyhood friends called him Hans. He is 160 per cent. American and has a son fighting with the Allies. Mr. Woods bought a comedy yesterday called "Go Easy, Mabel," by Wilson Collison.

A GIFT FOR WYNNE.

Look at this," said Ed Wynne, cemedian, on Broadway last night. The boys of the tanks gave it to me for entertaining them."
"What is it?" we asked.
"A fine cirarette case. Well, I must hike over and see J. J. Shubert. Have And Ed gave us a fine Havana.

FROM SPUDS TO FILMS. Walter E. Harris, a seventeen-yearold office boy for the Universal Film
Corporation, enlisted in the Naval
Heserve about six months ago and
was assigned to the kitchen. For
three months he peeled potatoes,
rather a subdued youth. Than one
day he heard the Naval Reserve was
to have a Department of Films. Walter immediately hunted up his superior officer. They gave him a camaim and told him to go ahead. He is
now preparing to make a picture entitled "Saved From Kitchen Police."

LIFE IN THE BRONX.

An old lady of Jewish persuasion stapped up to the box office at the Bronx Opera House the other night about \$.30 o'clock and asked for a seat to see "The Little Teacher."

Tou're late," said the treasurer.

"How about standing room?"

"Vot?" she asked.

Standing room!"

she said, shaking her head. I vant a seat in der sitting room,

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SHANNON HAS A "FIND." Sam Shannon will produce soon a musical version of "Checkers," en-titled "They're Off." He has en-gaged Marion Dorr for the cast, and says she is a "find."

GOSSIP.

Joe Klaw will iaunch "Some Night" at the Harris, next Monday.

A new feature, "Roses Plastique," introduced at Luna Park yes-

Bluch, the clown, believes in con-serving gasoline. He has introduced a "horsemobile" in "Everything," at the Hippodrome. Harry Meyers, formerly of the Lib-sety box office, is in town wearing a arty box office, is in town wearing a soldier's uniform. He likes army

soldier's uniform. He likes army life.

Marion Dentler has signed a contract to piay ingenue leads with the Poli Stock Company in New Haven.

Charaberian Brown has found Emily Arm Wellman a leading man for her sketch. His name is Frank Huyler.

Helyn Eby of the Century Grove, all worn out by autoless Sundaya, up and bought an electric runabout yesterday.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY. Archibald Grasty, a St. Louis man alliliner, who is in the army in France, writes home that he has learned to w tobacco.

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FROM THE CHESTNUT TREE. Willie—My father and I know every-ing in the world. Tommy—Where is Asia? -That's one of the things my

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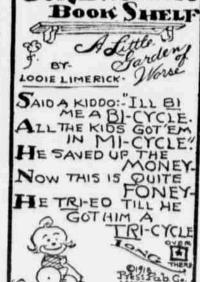




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